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FOR AMBASSADOR GOHEEN AND THORNTON, NSC

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (CARTER, JIMMY)
SUBJ: PRESIDENTIAL VISIT, NEW DELHI SPEECH

1. WE ARE IN THE FINAL STAGES OF THE PRESIDENT'S
SPEECH. ONE PARAGRAPH IS AS FOLLOWS:

"ONE OF THE MOST PROMISING AREAS FOR INTERNATIONAL
COOPERATION IS IN THE REGIONS OF EASTERN INDIA AND
BANGLADESH, WHERE ALTERNATING PERIODS OF DROUGHT AND
FLOOD CUT CRUELLY INTO FOOD PRODUCTION. SEVERAL
HUNDRED MILLION PEOPLE LIVE IN THIS AREA. THEY
HAPPEN TO BE CITIZENS OF INDIA, BANGLADESH, AND NEPAL. THE
GLOBAL
COMMUNITY HAS A STAKE IN ENSURING THAT
THEIR NEEDS ARE MET. WE ARE PREPARED TO SUPPORT A
REQUEST BY THE REGIONAL STATES FOR A STUDY THAT WILL
DEFINE WAYS THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, IN
COOPERATION WITH THE NATIONS OF SOUTH ASIA, CAN HELP
THE PEOPLES OF THIS REGION ACHIEVE THE PRODUCTIVITY
THAT IS INHERENT IN THE LAND AND ITS PEOPLE."

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2. SECRETARY VANCE WISHES TO HAVE THE EMBASSY'S
VIEWS ON THIS PARAGRAPH. HE WONDERES WHETHER WE CAN
MAKE THIS SORT OF STATEMENT WITHOUT FIRST NOTIFYING
NEPAL AND BANGLADESH OF OUR INTENTION (OR DESIRE)
TO DO SO.

3. PLEASE GIVE US YOUR VIEWS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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